

## A DAY AT DALLAS.

Wrangling Republicans Still Worrying Over the Postmaster's Place.

Arrest of a Grey Beard Deacon Charged With Attempt to Rape.

Special to the Gazette.

Dallas, October 31.—The St. Quentin opera company missed the train on the Texas & Pacific and did not arrive today from Colorado City. Their engagement at the Dallas opera house was postponed till to-morrow night.

Two freight trains collided in the Texas & Pacific yards to-day. Both locomotives were wrecked, but no one was injured.

The Republicans opposed to the new postmaster, Garrison, have held several meetings lately to formulate a plan to secure that official's removal. It is given out that A. M. Cochran, John Jackson and the saucy Dr. McCay are the leading spirits. John Stone, the former Republican leader, is expected home from Canada to-night. It is said to be the intention of the anti-Garrisonites to try to succeed him by either Stone or Cochran.

A large number of visitors are expected from Houston and Fort Worth to witness the game to be played here on the 3rd, 4th and 5th between the Gulf City club of Galveston and the Brown Stockings of Dallas.

City Marshal Arnold left to-day for Memphis with Pat Healey, accused of murdering a negro, in that place and recently arrested in Dallas.

The mortuary report shows only four deaths in the city the past week. Trains resumed regular trips on the Houston & Texas Central to-day, after a suspension since Monday last on account of the burning of the Bear creek bridge.

Sheriff Smith and posse to-day arrested and jailed the alleged rapist, W. C. Alcorn. Accused is a deacon in the Baptist Church at the village of Pleasant View, five miles from this city, and has professed extreme religious zeal and piety during his residence there for nine years. He is accused of having gone to the house of Mr. J. C. Frazier on the night of October 22d, in Frazier's absence, removed his shoes, raised the window of Mrs. Frazier's sleeping apartment, and made a helmet assault on her. In her struggles, Mrs. Frazier claims to have pulled out a good handful of hair from Alcorn's long grey beard. Friends of the accused profess confidence in his innocence, but the character of Mrs. Frazier is good in the community that her statement is generally believed. The developments have created a profound sensation in the Pleasant View neighborhood, particularly in the Baptist congregation. Alcorn is 55 years old, and has children and grand-children. Officers say he has been dodging them to avoid arrest for the past two days.

## HILLSBORO.

Death of a Child—The New Paper—George Walker's Trial.

Special to the Gazette.

Hillsboro, October 31.—Captain and Mrs. McDonald were so unfortunate as to lose one of their little children by death on the night of the 30th inst. They have our sympathies in their distress.

The GAZETTE's reporter here was "pulled" by the city authorities to the tune of six dollars and seventy cents for burning a trash pile on the streets after sundown. The attention of the "city daddies" is especially directed to the northeast corner of the public square, where every night may be found legitimate material for municipal vengeance.

One hundred and thirteen bales of cotton are the receipts to-day at 9:30. Futures are dull.

Mr. Wright, one of the Kentucky horse proprietors, has rented the Mills house.

Riley and Sturgis are putting the roof on the opera-house.

The material for the new paper arrived this morning, and it is being rapidly put in shape.

Brother Golledge of the Mirror has received a new iron cylinder press, and will soon be able to do his work to half the time it was formerly done.

George Walker's trial comes off to-morrow.

## SAN ANTONIO.

A Marriage—Gleason Acquitted—Request for a Stockmen's Conviction—The Doctors.

Special to the Gazette.

San Antonio, October 31.—Charles Auger, nephew of General C. C. Auger, was married this evening to Miss Adele Hall of this city, and leaves with General Auger for St. Louis.

George Gleason was to-day acquitted of killing Dolly Durand, a witness, to leave the city.

Captain Shelly says he will resign as commander of the company of state troops.

John E. Lane to-night addressed Hon. James F. Butler of Gonzales, who is chairman of the State Stockmen's association, requesting him at the instance of many stockmen to call a convention of stockmen at Austin the week before the assembling of the state legislature next January, to consider the repealing and pasturing-banning questions and to suggest such laws as will correct the abuses.

The doctors had their annual election this evening, followed by a banquet.

The grand jury of Frio county adjourned yesterday, and it is reported found several indictments against pasture-burners.

## WEATHERFORD.

The First Greeting by Telephone—A Preacher Robbed by Masked Men.

By telephone to the Gazette.

Weatherford, October 31.—Your Weatherford correspondent sends greeting by telephone, and expresses the hope that the next to that blinds Weatherford to Fort Worth may blind us no less securely in friendly than it does in commercial relations. The GAZETTE and the telephone will be wonderful factors to help do both.

Rev. Mr. Moore was robbed last evening three miles south of town by two masked men. No clue to the robbers.

## WACO.

**Heavy Damage Suits—Skipped the Town—Telephone Rates—Minor Matters in Brief.**

Special to the Gazette.

Waco, October 31.—W. S. Baker, a lawyer of this city, filed three suits to-day against the Texas & St. Louis railroad, aggregating \$62,000. They are brought by Clarence A. Chambers and wife of Mottegan and her infant child in a wreck on said road, between Waco and McGregor, on the night of August 25th, ultimo. The child died on the 14th of October, as is alleged from the injuries then received. Able counsel will be employed on each side and a strong fight will be made. It is understood, and on good authority, that the company offered Chambers \$2,000 before these suits were filed if he would not go into court about the matter, but the offer was declined.

F. P. Shelton, a newsdealer on South Fourth street, skipped out early this morning, leaving sturdy creditors to mourn his departure. He was also under bond for trial in the county court for beating his wife. He came here two months ago with a woman, not his wife, one Kate Brannon, the spouse of a Mexican saloon-keeper. The real Mrs. Shelton followed and the Brannon woman left. Then Shelton beat his wife as above stated. He owes nearly all of the leading newspapers of the state and I expect the GAZETTE among the number, as he has lost the exclusive handling of your paper. He is supposed to have gone to join the woman Brannon, as well as to avoid standing his trial and paying his debts.

Your correspondent learns that three propositions have been submitted to this city by the water company, two of which are for giving direct pressure on the Holly system, and using the river water exclusively, while the third is for a reservoir system, and to use water from the wells on the corner of Tenth and Jackson streets, or the river water as may be preferred. The wells plan is the most popular with the people we have talked to on this subject, as they claim by this means we can always have good drinking water, and not be compelled to use salt and alkali water as they have been this summer. Besides the protection against fires under the reservoir system is considered by underwriters as much preferable to any other. Work at the wells has been suspended until the council decides whether they want the reservoir or not. We understand the matter will come up before the council at its meeting to-morrow night. It seems altogether probable that the long hoped-for solution is now at hand.

I gave you yesterday the tariff for telephone conversations with twenty-three towns and villages comprised in the system of the southwestern Telephone and Telegraph company. In addition to conversation rates the exchange of wire or any of the points below will receive written messages, of ten words or less, to be transmitted promptly and in the order received, at the following rates:

Lancaster	.....	50
Red Oak	.....	50
Waxahachie	.....	45
Holy	.....	45
Mifflin	.....	50
Midlothian	.....	50
Kaufman	.....	70

It will be observed this list comprises only seven towns. It may be here remarked, by way of explanation, that the telephone company does not receive written messages for towns where there are telegraph offices. Conversations only can be had with such points. The written messages are for towns where there is no telegraph office, as in the case of the seven above named.

The young ladies who compose the C. Y. A. will entertain their friends this evening at the residence of Mrs. R. Jordan, on Washington street. The members of this club are all young ladies, who invite their escort, provide amusements for their guests, in fact, who furnish all the entertainment for the evening. The boys like it.

Judge Gerald is doing better to-day, greatly to the gratification of his friends.

Messrs. A. L. Horner, superintendent, and L. B. Fish, treasurer of the Texas & St. Louis railroad, are in the city.

## AUSTIN.

A Day's Notes From the State Department—Local News.

Special to the Gazette.

Austin, October 31.—Chartered Dickinson Cattle company of Kaufman, capital stock \$125,000, incorporators, F. C. Whittaker, Geo. E. Simon, Chas. Seymour, Jno. N. Jones, S. W. Lynch and Jno. W. Dickinson.

The office fees in the department of the secretary of state for the month of October were \$3,625.

The Missouri Pacific railway system paid in interest and sinking fund on the school fund loan \$6,841.

The comptroller paid in the general revenue fund to-day \$4,000.

About 600 applications for lease and purchase have been received from settlers on the school and asylum land.

Reports have been received from all the railroads except the Sunset line and the Texas & St. Louis.

The state quarantine regulations ended to-day. Health Officer Swanger states that a system of inspection will be kept on all vessels arriving from infected ports.

Jesse Herdsey of Travis matriculated in the university to-day making a total of 187.

A postoffice inspector is here looking after the letter carrier system.

Jesus Medina, for theft of a horse, was given five years in the penitentiary by the district court.

Fred Braun, a German carpenter and contractor on the deaf and dumb asylum, came to his death this morning in a somewhat singular manner.

While stepping off the platform at the Central freight depot he suddenly fell dead. Some think he stumbled and the fall dislocated his neck; others attribute it to heart disease. A coroner's jury has been empaneled, and will hold an inquest to-morrow.

A lady named Straub, who runs a small store in the suburbs, was knocked senseless this evening by a negro, who pilfered the house. He escaped.

## FATAL AFFRAY.

A Young Belton Lawyer Killed by a Restauranter.

Special to the Gazette.

Emptying the Contents of a Small Arsenal Into the Body of His Victim.

Belton, October 31.—To-night about seven o'clock East street was the scene of one of the most dastardly murders ever committed within the confines of Texas. L. T. Williams, formerly of Brownsville, Tenn., and one of the most promising young attorneys of Bell county, was instantly killed by a six shooter, Winchester and a double-barreled shot gun in the hands of George Eckels, a restaurant keeper of our town. For several days he had engaged between the murderer and his victim. On Sunday last they had a difficulty, when Williams fired one shot at Eckels. From the masthead the sources yet at hand I glean the following particulars:

About 7 o'clock Williams was passing in front of Eckels' store, when, upon seeing Williams, came out to his front door and leveled his six-shooter at him. Williams observing Eckels raised his hand and said, "Don't shoot," but to no avail. Eckels' fire had evidently reached a point of deadly intent, and well-wishers in attendance witnessed the murder. Williams was passing through a cloud of smoke. As he lay prone upon the street, he said: "Eckels, you have already killed me, don't shoot again," but his piteous pleading only renewed Eckels' wrath, and he stood over him aiming directed, for Williams was rolling to the pavement through a cloud of smoke. As he lay prone upon the street, he said: "Eckels, you have already killed me, don't shoot again," but his piteous pleading only renewed Eckels' wrath, and he stood over him aiming directed, for Williams was rolling to the pavement through a cloud of smoke. 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